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PASS: CID; LEGAL COUNSEL; OLIA, SSA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY, FOIPA MATTER.

GA, ON 5/29/90, WAS

APPRISED OF THE FOLLOWING BY [REDACTED]

THE CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY HAD FILED A FREEDOM OF INFORMATION
ACT REQUEST WITH THE AUSTRALIAN ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE. THAT
OFFICE HAD RELEASED DOCUMENTS TO THE CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY THAT
WERE, SUPPOSEDLY, SUBJECT TO SCRUTINY TO NOT ALLOW SENSITIVE

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DOCUMENTS TO BE RELEASED. ~~(S)~~

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THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE WAS CONTACTED BY REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CHURCH WHO SOMEWHAT GLEEFULLY NOTED A RECENT GROUP OF DOCUMENTS INCLUDED [] DOCUMENT OF AUGUST, 1976, CLASSIFIED ~~"SECRET."~~ ~~(S)~~

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OF INTEREST TO THE BUREAU IS THE FACT THE DOCUMENT INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING: "ROUTINE ENQUIRIES OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY AND [] [] SUBSTANTIATED [] ASSESSMENT THAT THE ORGANIZATION SHOULD NOT BE REGARDED AS SUBVERSIVE." ~~(S)~~

[] WAS OBVIOUSLY DISMAYED WITH THIS NOTING THERE HAD BEEN ANOTHER UNAUTHORIZED DISCLOSURE THAT RELATED TO []

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THE CONCERN IS THE CHURCH WILL USE THE DOCUMENT TO SUBSTANTIATE ITS CLAIM AS BEING A NON-THREATENING ORGANIZATION, AND FURTHER, THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE FBI AND [] AS RELATED TO THE CHURCH, WILL BECOME PUBLIC KNOWLEDGE. ~~(S)~~

LEGAT WILL, UNDER SEPARATE COVER, FORWARD PERTINENT DOCUMENTS TO THE BUREAU.

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